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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR  
THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE  
THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE  
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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED  
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UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Official Contacts with the Soviet Embassy by  
Senior-Level U.S. Government Officials (U)

Recently, several unauthorized visits to the Soviet Embassy by United States Government officials have taken place. I would like to reaffirm the Administration's policy on such contacts. As part of the sanctions imposed on the Soviet Union after its invasion of Afghanistan, restrictions were placed on social meetings with Soviet officials. Specifically, contacts with the Embassy were limited to the rank of Deputy Assistant Secretary and below, and to those officials with routine working relationships with the Embassy. The only exception to these guidelines has been the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs who has each year been designated as the senior U.S. Government representative at the Soviet national day reception. I urge that all high-level officials affected by these restrictions strictly adhere to the Administration's policies. (C)

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